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Submitted herewith is a listing of documents known to Applicants and/or their attorney in compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. Copies of the listed documents, with the exception of United States patent references, are also enclosed.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3), Applicants' undersigned attorney submits the following concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English documents cited on the accompanying form:

Reference B1, published Japanese Application JP10016390, describes a laser marking method and molded products marked with a laser beam. An English language translation and an English language abstract corresponding to this document are cited on the accompanying list of references as documents C1 and C3, respectively.

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Reference B2, published Japanese Application JP2001233976, describes laser marked resin cases. An English language translation and an English language abstract corresponding to this document are cited on the accompanying list of references as documents C2 and C4, respectively.

Applicants do not waive any rights to appropriate action to establish patentability over any of the listed documents should they be applied as references against the claims of the present application. This statement should not be construed as a representation that more material information does not exist or that an exhaustive search of the relevant art has been made.

Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-captioned application are respectfully requested.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the receipt of a first Office Action but before the mailing of a final Office Action, Notice of Allowance or action that otherwise closes prosecution. Thus, Applicants have provided the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(p) (\$180) in their enclosed check. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency to our Deposit Account No. 50-4056 under Order No. 7601/88288.

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